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SRI V. SANKARAN: நெல்லை அரிசியாக அரைப்பதற்கு முன்னால் அளவு அதிகமாக காண்வதற்கு இரண்டு மூன்று தடவை தண்ணீரில் ஊறவைப்பதால் நாற்றம் அடிப்பதாக சொல்லப்படுகிறது. அது அரசாங்கத்திற்கு தெரியுமா? அதை தடுக்க நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுப்பார்களா?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: அரசாங்கத்திற்கு அப்படி ஒரு தகவல் வரவில்லை. முன்பே விடையளித்ததுபோல், குறிப்பிட்ட மில்லில் தவறு செய்கிறார்கள் என்று சொல்லுங்கள், அதன் மேல் சம்பந்தப்பட்ட இலாகா கவனம் செலுத்தும்.

Construction of over-bridges and under-bridges across railway level-crossings

* 642 Q.—**SRI N. K. PALANISAMI:** Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Centre have called for a list of priorities with regard to the construction of over-bridges and under-bridges across railway level-crossings; and

(b) if so, the number of such schemes suggested by this Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The matter is under consideration.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Sir, may I know on what conditions these over-bridges and under-bridges would be taken up? May I know whether a survey would be made throughout the State or whether these would be taken only in the cities?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: A survey of the requirements of the entire State has been made and we have drawn up a big list of about 45 for the whole State. We have also drawn up priorities among these over-bridges that have to be taken up.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR: May I know whether all these bridges would be taken up for construction before the end of the Third Plan or whether they would be taken up only in stages?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, we have recently drawn a list of 9 schemes including the requirements of the city and the requirements of certain mufassal centres. We have forwarded this list to the Government of India for their assistance. They have approved the schemes. But still the question of actual financial assistance has been under consideration and discussion with the Government of India. They have suggested that we may draw from certain funds that have already been earmarked and allotted for certain other purposes so far as this State is concerned. Therefore, this matter is under discussion with the Government of India.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Sir, may I know whether the construction of an over-bridge near High Court is included in the list?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Sir, I may inform the hon. Member that it has not only been included in the list but has also been given a very high priority. However, the question of financial assistance has yet to be finalised.